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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

 A wavelength multiplexing optical transmission system comprising:

a compensating unit which compensates polarization mode dispersion of wavelength-multiplexed and transmitted light signal for each predetermined channel block;

a wavelength selecting unit which selectively outputs light signal having a desired wavelength in the light signal;

a polarization analyzing unit which analyzes polarization mode dispersion based on light signal having a wavelength selected by said wavelength selecting unit; and

a compensation control unit which controls polarization mode dispersion for each predetermined channel block by said compensating unit based on the result of analysis in said polarization analyzing unit.

- 2. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 1 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Jones Matrix method.
- 3. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 1 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Poincare

sphere method.

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- 4. A wavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 1 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using SOP method.
- 5. A wavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 1 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:
- a wavelength variable filter which filters light signal having a desired wavelength from inputted light signals; and
 - a sweeping control unit which sweeps the wavelength to be filtered of the light signal.

6. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 1 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:

an optical switch which switches and outputs a desired

20 light signal from inputted a plurality of light signals;

and

switching control unit which controls switching of said optical switch.

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- 7. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 1 further comprising:
- a light transmitter which transmits
 wavelength-multiplexed light signal;
- 5 a light receiver which receives the wavelength-multiplexed light signal; and
 - a light transmission path connecting said light transmitter and said light receiver, wherein

at least one of said compensating unit or said plurality

of compensating units are provided on said light transmission

path or at a terminal end of said light transmission path.

- 8. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 10 wherein said wavelength selecting unit and said polarization analyzing unit are provided at a terminal end of or near said light transmission path.
- 9. A wavelength multiplexing optical transmission system comprising:
- and transmitted light signal for each predetermined channel block;

a plurality of compensating units which compensate polarization mode dispersion for each light signal branched by said wave divider;

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a plurality of wavelength selecting units which selectively output light signal having a desired wavelength in light signal outputted from each compensating unit;

a plurality of polarization analyzing units which analyze polarization mode dispersion based on light signal having a wavelength selected by each wavelength selecting unit; and

a plurality of compensation control units which control polarization mode dispersion by each compensating unit based on the result of analysis in each polarization analyzing unit.

- 10. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 9 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Jones Matrix method.
- 11. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 9 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Poincare sphere method.
 - 12. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 9 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using SOP method.

13. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 9 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:

a wavelength variable filter which filters light signal having a desired wavelength from inputted light signals; and

a sweeping control unit which sweeps the wavelength to be filtered of the light signal.

10 14. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 9 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:

an optical switch which switches and outputs a desired light signal from inputted a plurality of light signals; and

switching control unit which controls switching of said optical switch.

- 15. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system20 according to claim 9 further comprising:
 - a light transmitter which transmits wavelength-multiplexed light signal;
 - a light receiver which receives the wavelength-multiplexed light signal; and
- a light transmission path connecting said light

transmitter and said light receiver, wherein

at least one of said compensating unit or said plurality of compensating units are provided on said light transmission path or at a terminal end of said light transmission path.

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16. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 15 wherein said wavelength selecting unit and said polarization analyzing unit are provided at a terminal end of or near said light transmission path.

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17. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system comprising:

a wave divider which branches wavelength-multiplexed and transmitted light signal for each channel;

a plurality of wave combiners which combine light signal branched by said wave divider for each predetermined channel block;

a plurality of compensating units which compensate polarization mode dispersion for each light signal multiplexed by said wave combiner;

a plurality of wavelength selecting units which selectively output light signal having a desired wavelength in light signal outputted from each compensating unit;

a plurality of polarization analyzing units which
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having a wavelength selected by each wavelength selecting unit; and

- a plurality of compensation control units which control polarization mode dispersion by each compensating unit based on the result of analysis in each polarization analyzing unit.
- 18. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 17 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Jones Matrix method.
 - 19. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 17 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Poincare sphere method.
 - 20. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 17 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using SOP method.
 - 21. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 17 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:
- 25 a wavelength variable filter which filters light

signal having a desired wavelength from inputted light signals; and

a sweeping control unit which sweeps the wavelength to be filtered of the light signal.

22. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 17 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:

an optical switch which switches and outputs a desired

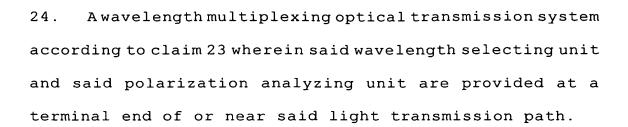
light signal from inputted a plurality of light signals;

and

switching control unit which controls switching of said optical switch.

- 15 23. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 17 further comprising:
 - a light transmitter which transmits wavelength-multiplexed light signal;
- a light receiver which receives the 20 wavelength-multiplexed light signal; and
 - a light transmission path connecting said light transmitter and said light receiver, wherein

at least one of said compensating unit or said plurality of compensating units are provided on said light transmission path or at a terminal end of said light transmission path.



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25. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system comprising:

a wave divider which branches wavelength-multiplexed
and transmitted light signal for each predetermined channel
10 block;

a plurality of compensating units which compensate polarization mode dispersion for each light signal branched by said wave divider;

a wave combiner which combines respective light signals outputted from each compensating unit;

a wavelength selecting unit which selectively outputs light signal having a desired wavelength in light signal outputted from said wave combiner;

a polarization analyzing unit which analyzes

20 polarization mode dispersion based on light signal having
a wavelength selected by said wavelength selecting unit;
and

a plurality of compensation control units which control polarization mode dispersion by each compensating unit based on the result of analysis in said polarization

analyzing unit.

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- 26. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 24 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Jones Matrix method.
- 27. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 24 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using Poincare sphere method.
 - 28. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 24 wherein said polarization analyzing unit analyzes polarization mode dispersion using SOP method.
 - 29. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 24 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:
- a wavelength variable filter which filters light signal having a desired wavelength from inputted light signals; and
 - a sweeping control unit which sweeps the wavelength to be filtered of the light signal.

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30. A wavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 24 wherein said wavelength selecting unit comprising:

an optical switch which switches and outputs a desired

light signal from inputted a plurality of light signals;

and

switching control unit which controls switching of said optical switch.

- 10 31. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 24 further comprising:
 - a light transmitter which transmits wavelength-multiplexed light signal;
 - a light receiver which receives the wavelength-multiplexed light signal; and
 - a light transmission path connecting said light transmitter and said light receiver, wherein

at least one of said compensating unit or said plurality of compensating units are provided on said light transmission path or at a terminal end of said light transmission path.

32. Awavelength multiplexing optical transmission system according to claim 31 wherein said wavelength selecting unit and said polarization analyzing unit are provided at a terminal end of or near said light transmission path.